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# On certain integral operators

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*Abstract.* Let  $A$  be the class of functions  $f(z)$  which are analytic in the open unit disk  $U$  with  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 1$ . The object of the present paper is to consider the subordinations of certain integral operators for functions belonging to the class  $A$ .

## 1 Introduction

Let  $A$  be the class of functions  $f(z)$  of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $S^*$  be the subclass of  $A$  consisting of functions  $f(z)$  which satisfy

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U).$$

A function  $f(z)$  in  $S^*$  is said to be starlike in  $U$ . For functions  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  belonging to  $A$ , we say that  $f(z)$  is subordinate to  $g(z)$  if there exists the function  $w(z)$  which is analytic in  $U$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  ( $z \in U$ ) such that  $f(z) = g(w(z))$ . We denote this subordination by  $f(z) \prec g(z)$ . By virtue of the definition for subordinations, we know that: (i) The subordination  $f(z) \prec g(z)$  implies that  $f(0) = g(0)$  and  $f(U) \subset g(U)$ . (ii) If  $g(z)$  is univalent in  $U$ , then the subordination  $f(z) \prec g(z)$  is equivalent to  $f(0) = g(0)$  and  $f(U) \subset g(U)$ .

For a function  $f(z) \in A$ , we consider the integral operator  $I(f(z))$  given by

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$$I_{\alpha,\beta}(f(z)) = \left\{ \frac{\alpha + \beta}{z^\beta} \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} f(t)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}, \alpha \neq 0$ , and  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ .

**Remark 1.** (i) Libera [2] showed that if  $f(z) \in S^*$ , then  $I_{1,1}(f(z)) \in S^*$ .  
(ii) Bernardi [1] showed that if  $f(z) \in S^*$ , then  $I_{1,\beta}(f(z)) \in S^*$  when  $\beta = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ .  
(iii) Miller, Mocanu and Reade [6] showed that if  $f(z) \in S^*$ , then  $I_{\alpha,\beta}(f(z)) \in S^*$  when  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta \geq 0$ .

To consider our integral operators for  $f(z) \in A$ , we have to recall here the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** ([3]) *Let  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  belong to  $A$  and  $g(z)$  be univalent in  $\bar{U} = U \cup \partial U$ . If there exists points  $z_0 \in U$  and  $\zeta_0 \in \partial U$  such that*

$$f(|z| < |z_0|) \subset g(U) \quad \text{and} \quad f(z_0) = g(\zeta_0),$$

*then  $z_0 f'(z_0) = m \zeta_0 g'(\zeta_0)$ , where  $m$  is real and  $m \geq 1$ .*

**Lemma 2.** ([4]) *Let  $p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots$  be analytic in  $U$  with  $p(z) \not\equiv 1$ . Let  $\psi : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  satisfies*

- (i)  $\psi$  is continuous in  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ ,
  - (ii)  $(1, 0) \in D$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(\psi(1, 0)) > 0$ ,
  - (iii) for all  $(iu_2, v_1) \in D$  such that  $v_1 \leq -(1 + u_2^2)/2$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(\psi(iu_2, v_1)) \leq 0$ .
- If  $(p(z), zp'(z)) \in D$  for all  $z \in D$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(\psi(p(z), zp'(z))) > 0$  for all  $z \in U$ , then  $\operatorname{Re}(p(z)) > 0$  ( $z \in U$ ).*

Let a function  $L(z, t)$  be defined on  $U \times \{0, \infty\}$ . Then  $L(z, t)$  is said to be the subordination chain (or Loewner chain) if it satisfies

- (i)  $L(z, t)$  is analytic and univalent in  $U$  for all  $t \geq 0$ ,
- (ii)  $L(z, t)$  is continuously differentiable on  $t \geq 0$  for all  $z \in U$ ,
- (iii)  $L(z, t_1) \prec L(z, t_2)$  ( $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2$ ).

**Lemma 3.** ([7]) *Let  $L(z, t) = a_1(t)z + a_2(t)z^2 + \dots$  ( $a_1(t) \neq 0; t \geq 0$ ) is a subordination chain if and only if it satisfies*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ z \frac{\frac{\partial L(z, t)}{\partial z}}{\frac{\partial L(z, t)}{\partial t}} \right\} > 0 \quad (z \in U; t \geq 0).$$

Further, we need

**Lemma 4.** ([5]) *Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\alpha \neq 0$ , and let  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let a function  $h(z) = c * h_1 z * h_2 z^2 + \dots$  be analytic in  $U$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha h(z) + \beta) > 0$  ( $z \in U$ ). Then the solution of the Briot-Bouquet differential equation*

$$q(z) + \frac{zq'(z)}{\alpha q(z) + \beta} = h(z) \quad (h(0) = q(0))$$

*is analytic in  $U$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha q(z) + \beta) > 0$  ( $z \in U$ ).*

## 2 Subordination theorems

Applying the above lemmas, we derive our main theorem in

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $f(z) \in A$  and  $g(z) \in A$ . Let  $g(z)$  satisfy*  
 (i)  $g(z)/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) and  $I_{\alpha, \beta}(g(z))/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) when  $\alpha \neq 1$ ,  
 (ii)  $\phi(z) = (g(z)/z)^\alpha$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right\} > -\delta \quad (z \in U), \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\delta < \operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)$ ,

$$-1 < \delta \leq \frac{1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2 - \sqrt{(1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2)^2 - 4(\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))^2}}{4\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)}$$

if  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) > 0$ , and

$$-1 < \delta \leq \frac{1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2 + \sqrt{(1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2)^2 - 4(\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))^2}}{4\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)}$$

if  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) < 0$ .

If  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  satisfy the following subordination

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{g(z)}{z}, \quad (2.2)$$

then

$$\frac{I_{\alpha,\beta}(f(z))}{z} \prec \frac{I_{\alpha,\beta}(g(z))}{z}. \quad (2.3)$$

*Proof.* Let us define  $F(z)$  and  $G(z)$  by

$$F(z) = \left( \frac{I_{\alpha,\beta}(f(z))}{z} \right)^\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad G(z) = \left( \frac{I_{\alpha,\beta}(g(z))}{z} \right)^\alpha,$$

respectively. Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $G(z)$  is analytic and univalent in  $\bar{U} = U \cup \partial U$ . Otherwise, we consider, for  $0 < r < 1$ ,  $F(rz)/r$  and  $G(rz)/r$  instead of  $F(z)$  and  $G(z)$ , respectively.

First, we show that if the function  $q(z)$  is defined by

$$q(z) = 1 + \frac{zG''(z)}{G'(z)}, \quad (2.4)$$

then  $\operatorname{Re}(q(z) + \alpha + \beta) > 0$  ( $z \in U$ ).

Since

$$I_{\alpha,\beta}(g(z)) = \left\{ \frac{\alpha + \beta}{z^\beta} \int_0^z t^{\beta-1} g(t)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}, \quad (2.5)$$

we have

$$\alpha \frac{z(I_{\alpha,\beta}(g(z)))'}{I_{\alpha,\beta}(g(z))} = -\beta + (\alpha + \beta) \frac{\phi(z)}{G(z)}. \quad (2.6)$$

Also, we have

$$\alpha \frac{z(I_{\alpha,\beta}(g(z)))'}{I_{\alpha,\beta}(g(z))} = \alpha + \frac{zG'(z)}{G(z)}. \quad (2.7)$$

It follows from (2.6) and (2.7) that

$$(\alpha + \beta)\phi(z) = (\alpha + \beta)G(z) + zG'(z). \quad (2.8)$$

Differentiating both sides in (2.8), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\beta z\phi'(z) &= zG'(z) \left( \alpha + \beta + 1 + \frac{zG''(z)}{G'(z)} \right) \\ &= zG'(z)(q(z) + \alpha + \beta).\end{aligned}$$

This gives us that

$$\begin{aligned}1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} &= 1 + \frac{zG''(z)}{G'(z)} + \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z) + \alpha + \beta} \\ &= q(z) + \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z) + \alpha + \beta}.\end{aligned}$$

If we define the function  $h(z)$  by

$$h(z) = q(z) + \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z) + \alpha + \beta},$$

then,  $q(0) = h(0) = 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{Re}(h(z) + \alpha + \beta) &= \operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} + \alpha + \beta \right) \\ &> -\delta + \operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) > 0,\end{aligned}$$

because  $\delta$  satisfies the conditions in our theorem and  $\delta \leq \operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)$ .

Thus applying Lemma 4, we conclude that  $q(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(q(z) + \alpha + \beta) > 0$  for all  $z \in U$ .

Next, we show that  $\operatorname{Re}(q(z) + \alpha + \beta) > 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) implies  $\operatorname{Re} q(z) > 0$  ( $z \in U$ ).

Let us put

$$\psi(u, v) = u + \frac{v}{u + \alpha + \beta} + \delta,$$

with  $u = u_1 + iu_2$  and  $v = v_1 + iv_2$ . Then  $\psi(u, v)$  satisfies

- (i)  $\psi(u, v)$  is continuous in  $D = (\mathbb{C} \setminus \{-\alpha - \beta\}) \times \mathbb{C}$ ,
- (ii)  $(1, 0) \in D$  and  $\operatorname{Re}\psi(1, 0) = 1 + \delta > 0$ ,
- (iii) for all  $(iu_2, v_1) \in D$  such that  $v_1 \leq -(1 + u_2^2)/2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{Re}\psi(iu_2, v_1) &= \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{v_1}{iu_2 + \alpha + \beta} \right) + \delta \\ &= \delta - \frac{v_1 \operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)}{|\alpha + \beta|^2 + 2u_2 \operatorname{Im}(\alpha + \beta) + u_2^2}.\end{aligned}$$

We define

$$E_\delta(u_2) = (2\delta - \operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))u_2^2 + 4\delta(\operatorname{Im}(\alpha + \beta))u_2 + 2\delta|\alpha + \beta|^2 - \operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta), \quad (2.9)$$

$$k_1 = \frac{1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2 - \sqrt{(1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2)^2 - 4(\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))^2}}{4\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)},$$

and

$$k_2 = \frac{1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2 + \sqrt{(1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2)^2 - 4(\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))^2}}{4\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)}.$$

Then, the discrimination  $\Delta$  of  $E_\delta(u_2)$  given by (2.8) is represented by

$$\Delta = -4(\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))^2\delta^2 + 2\delta(1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2)\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) - (\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))^2.$$

Therefore, if  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) > 0$ , then  $-1 < \delta \leq k_1$  implies  $\Delta \leq 0$ , and if  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) < 0$ , then  $-1 < \delta \leq k_2$  implies  $\Delta \leq 0$ .

This shows that  $E_\delta(u_2) \leq 0$  for all real  $u_2$ , that is, that  $\operatorname{Re}\psi(iu_2, v_1) \leq 0$  for all real  $v_1$  and  $u_2$  such that  $v_1 \leq -(1 + u_2^2)/2$ .

Further, we note that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}\psi(q(z), zq'(z)) &= \operatorname{Re}\left(q(z) + \frac{zq'(z)}{q(z) + \alpha + \beta} + \delta\right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} + \delta\right) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, using Lemma 2, we conclude that  $\operatorname{Re}q(z) > 0$  for all  $z \in YU$ .

Finally, we prove that the subordination  $f(z)/z \prec g(z)/z$  implies  $F(z) \prec G(z)$ .

Define the function  $L(z, t)$  by

$$L(z, t) = G(z) + \frac{1+t}{\alpha + \beta}zG'(z) \quad (t \geq 0). \quad (2.10)$$

Note that  $G'(0) = 1$  and

$$\left. \frac{\partial L(z, t)}{\partial z} \right|_{z=0} = G'(0) \left(1 + \frac{1+t}{\alpha + \beta}\right) = 1 + \frac{1+t}{\alpha + \beta} \neq 0.$$

This shows that the function

$$L(z, t) = a_1(t)z + a_2(t)z^2 + \dots$$

satisfies  $a_1(t) \neq 0$  for all  $t \geq 0$ .

Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}\left\{z \frac{\frac{\partial L(z, t)}{\partial z}}{\frac{\partial L(z, t)}{\partial t}}\right\} &= \operatorname{Re}\left(\alpha + \beta + (1+t) \left(1 + \frac{zG''(z)}{G'(z)}\right)\right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}(q(z) + \alpha + \beta) + t\operatorname{Re}q(z) > 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $z \in U$ . Therefore, by virtue of Lemma 3,  $L(z, t)$  is the subordination chain. Note that

$$\phi(z) = G(z) + \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} z G'(z) = L(z, 0)$$

and

$$L(z, 0) \prec L(z, t) \quad (t \geq 0)$$

from the definition of the subordination chain. Next, we support that  $F(z)$  is not subordinate to  $G(z)$ . Then, there exists points  $z_0 \in U$  and  $\zeta_0 \in \partial U$  such that

$$F(|z| < |z_0|) \subset G(U) \quad \text{and} \quad F(z_0) = G(\zeta_0).$$

This implies that  $L(\zeta_0, t) \notin L(U, t)$ .

Since, by Lemma 1,

$$z_0 F'(z_0) = (1 + t) \zeta_0 G'(\zeta_0) \quad (t \geq 0),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} L(\zeta_0, t) &= G(\zeta_0) + \frac{1+t}{\alpha + \beta} \zeta_0 G'(\zeta_0) \\ &= F(z_0) + \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} z_0 F'(z_0) \\ &= \left( \frac{f(z_0)}{z_0} \right)^\alpha \in \psi(U), \end{aligned}$$

because  $f(z)/z \prec g(z)/z$ . This contradicts that  $L(\zeta_0, t) \notin L(U, t)$ . Therefore, the subordination  $f(z)/z \prec g(z)/z$  has to imply  $F(z) \prec G(z)$ .

Now, since

$$I_{\alpha, \beta}(g(z)) = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots \neq 0 \quad (z \in U)$$

when  $\alpha \neq 1$ , we conclude that

$$F(z) = \left( \frac{I_{\alpha, \beta}(f(z))}{z} \right)^\alpha \prec G(z) = \left( \frac{I_{\alpha, \beta}(g(z))}{z} \right)^\alpha$$

gives that

$$\frac{I_{\alpha, \beta}(f(z))}{z} \prec \frac{I_{\alpha, \beta}(g(z))}{z}.$$

This completes the proof of our theorem. □

If we take  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 1$  in Theorem 1, then  $-1 < \delta \leq 1/2$ . Therefore, we have



**Corollary 1.** Let  $f(z) \in A$  and  $g(z) \in A$ . Let  $g(z)$  satisfy  
 (i)  $g(z)/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) and  $I_{\alpha,1-\alpha}(g(z))/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) when  $\alpha \neq 1$ ,  
 (ii)  $\phi(z) = (g(z)/z)^\alpha$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right) > -\frac{1}{2}.$$

Then

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{g(z)}{z} \implies \frac{I_{\alpha,1-\alpha}(f(z))}{z} \prec \frac{I_{\alpha,1-\alpha}(g(z))}{z},$$

where

$$I_{\alpha,1-\alpha}f(z) = \left\{ \frac{1}{z^{1-\alpha}} \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}.$$

If we make  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = -1$  in Theorem 1, then  $-1 < \delta \leq -1/2$ . Thus we have

**Corollary 2.** Let  $f(z) \in A$  and  $g(z) \in A$ . Let  $g(z)$  satisfy  
 (i)  $g(z)/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) and  $I_{\alpha,-1-\alpha}(g(z))/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) when  $\alpha \neq 1$ ,  
 (ii)  $\phi(z) = (g(z)/z)^\alpha$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right) > \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{g(z)}{z} \implies \frac{I_{\alpha,-1-\alpha}(f(z))}{z} \prec \frac{I_{\alpha,-1-\alpha}(g(z))}{z},$$

where

$$I_{\alpha,-1-\alpha}(f(z)) = \left\{ -z^{1+\alpha} \int_0^z \frac{1}{t^2} \left( \frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}.$$

Taking  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 1 + i$  in Theorem 1, we have

**Corollary 3.** Let  $f(z) \in A$  and  $g(z) \in A$ . Let  $g(z)$  satisfy  
 (i)  $g(z)/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) and  $I_{\alpha,1+i-\alpha}(g(z))/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) when  $\alpha \neq 1$ ,  
 (ii)  $\phi(z) = (g(z)/z)^\alpha$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right) > \frac{\sqrt{5}-3}{4} \doteq -0.190983.$$

Then

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{g(z)}{z} \implies \frac{I_{\alpha,1+i-\alpha}(f(z))}{z} \prec \frac{I_{\alpha,1+i-\alpha}(g(z))}{z},$$

where

$$I_{\alpha,1+i-\alpha}(f(z)) = \left\{ \frac{1+i}{z^{1+i-\alpha}} \int_0^z t^i \left( \frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}.$$

Further, letting  $\alpha + \beta = -1 + i/2$  in Theorem 1, we have

**Corollary 4.** Let  $f(z) \in A$  and  $g(z) \in A$ . Let  $g(z)$  satisfy

- (i)  $g(z)/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) and  $I_{\alpha, -1+i/2-\alpha}(g(z))/z \neq 0$  ( $z \in U$ ) when  $\alpha \neq 1$ ,  
(ii)  $\phi(z) = (g(z)/z)^\alpha$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right) > -\frac{9 + \sqrt{17}}{16} \approx -0.8201941.$$

Then

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{g(z)}{z} \implies \frac{I_{\alpha, -1+i/2-\alpha}(f(z))}{z} \prec \frac{I_{\alpha, -1+i/2-\alpha}(g(z))}{z},$$

where

$$I_{\alpha, -1+i/2-\alpha}(f(z)) = \left\{ \frac{-2+i}{2z^{-1+i/2-\alpha}} \int_0^z t^{-1+i/2} \left( \frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}.$$

### 3 An application of hypergeometric functions

For complex numbers  $a, b$ , and  $c$  with  $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ , the hypergeometric function  ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$  is defined by

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!},$$

where  $(\lambda)_n$  denotes the Pochhammer symbol defined, in terms of gamma functions, by

$$(\lambda)_n = \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + n)}{\Gamma(\lambda)} = \begin{cases} \lambda(\lambda + 1)(\lambda + 2) \dots (\lambda + n - 1) & (n \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}) \\ 1 & (n = 0). \end{cases}$$

It is well-known that

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(c-a)} \int_0^1 t^{a-1} (1-t)^{c-a-1} (1-zt)^{-b} dt,$$

for  $\operatorname{Re}(c) > \operatorname{Re}(a) > 0$ .

If we consider

$$g(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^k} \quad (k \in \mathbb{C}),$$

then we have

$$I_{\alpha, \beta}(g(z)) = \left\{ \frac{\alpha + \beta}{z^\beta} \int_0^z t^{\alpha+\beta-1} (1-t)^{-\alpha k} dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}$$

$$= \left\{ (\alpha + \beta) z^\alpha \int_0^1 u^{\alpha+\beta-1} (1 - zu)^{-\alpha k} du \right\}^{1/\alpha}$$

$$= {}_2F_1(\alpha + \beta, \alpha k; \alpha + \beta + 1; z)^{1/\alpha}$$

with  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) > 0$ . Moreover, we note that

$$\frac{g(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{(1 - z)^k} \neq 0 \quad (z \in U).$$

Applying the above to Theorem 1, we obtain

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f(z) \in U$ . Let  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta$  be a complex number such that  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta) > 0$ . If  $f(z)$  satisfies the subordination

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{1}{(1 - z)^k},$$

then

$$\frac{I_{\alpha, \beta}(f(z))}{z} \prec {}_2F_1(\alpha + \beta, \alpha k; \alpha + \beta + 1; z)^{1/|\alpha|},$$

where

$$1 - \frac{1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2 - \sqrt{(1 + |\alpha + \beta|^2)^2 - 4(\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta))^2}}{2\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \beta)} \leq \alpha k < 3.$$

Taking  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta = 1 - \alpha$  in Theorem 2, we have

**Example 1.** For  $f(z) \in A$  and  $0 \leq \alpha k < 3$ ,

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{1}{(1 - z)^k} \implies \frac{I_{\alpha, 1-\alpha}(f(z))}{z} \prec {}_2F_1(1, \alpha k; 2; z)^{1/\alpha},$$

where

$$I_{\alpha, 1-\alpha}(f(z)) = \left\{ \frac{1}{z^{1-\alpha}} \int_0^z \left( \frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}.$$

Finally, if we make  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta = 1 + i - \alpha$  in Theorem 2, then we have

**Example 2.** For  $f(z) \in A$  and  $(\sqrt{5} - 1)/2 \leq \alpha k < 3$ ,

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} \prec \frac{1}{(1 - z)^k} \implies \frac{I_{\alpha, 1+i-\alpha}(f(z))}{z} \prec {}_2F_1(1 + i, \alpha k; 2 + i; z)^{1/\alpha},$$

where

$$I_{\alpha, 1+i-\alpha}(f(z)) = \left\{ \frac{1 + i}{z^{1+i-\alpha}} \int_0^z t^i \left( \frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt \right\}^{1/\alpha}.$$

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